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SITUATION IS DESPERATE ONE

Boston and Maine Directors Working Night and Day to Solve Financial Problem.

Boston, Dec. 17.—"The situation is a desperate one," said Howard Elliott, chairman of the Board of Directors of the New York, New Haven & Hartford railroad tonight with reference to the finances of the Boston & Maine railroad. This declaration was made after a meeting of the Boston and Maine directors at which means of renewing \$10,000,000 of outstanding notes which will soon fall due, were considered. No definite conclusion was reached.

Chairman Elliott added: "I do not despair that some way will be found out of the difficulties. The directors are working night and day on the problem and the banks are helping us."

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JOINT TERMINAL FOR INTERURBANS
Salt Lake, Dec. 18.—The intimation was made to the city commission yesterday by the Bamberger and Orem interests that it is the ultimate plan of the two roads to establish their joint interurban terminal in the interior of the block bounded by Main, West Temple and Second and Third South streets.

Representatives of the roads appeared on behalf of the application of the Salt Lake Terminal company for a franchise on First West street and on Pierpont street from the east side of West Temple street to First West. Asked as to why the franchise was desired to cross to the east side of West Temple street, they said that while terminal property on Pierpont street already had been secured, the company might desire to cross West Temple in the event that property could be obtained in the block east of West Temple.

Senator Simon Bamberger, when interviewed last night, said that a change of site to the block bounded by Main, West Temple, Second and Third South streets was contemplated, but had not been definitely decided upon. He said that offers had been made on property needed in that block, and that the outcome of the plan depended upon negotiations for the purchase of the property. He said that the plan contemplated entrance to the terminal from Main street through the David Keith property, and also from Second South and Third South streets. These entrances would be avenues leading into the main building in the center and west side of the block.

Mr. Bamberger and W. C. Orem, representing their respective companies, assured the commission that the joint terminal they sought to establish would be at the disposal of any other road or roads that might want entrance to the city, provided they would pay their part of the maintenance expense. This was taken to indicate that the Saltair Beach road, which contemplates electrification, might possibly use the terminal.

MINE OWNERS TO RESUME WORK

Constitutionalists Offer to Issue Necessary Permits for Resumption of Operations.

Hermosillo, Sonora, Dec. 18.—Mine owners in territory under the control of the Mexican constitutionalist government may resume the operation of their enterprises, whenever they see fit, it was announced today by Ignacio Bonillas, secretary of industry, in the Carranza cabinet, that if mining men desiring to work mines located in the states of Sonora, Chihuahua, Sinaloa and Durango would apply to the constitutionalist department of fomento, colonization and industry, located here, they would receive the necessary permits to resume operations.

FREE LUNCHES TO BE ABOLISHED
Chicago, Ill., Dec. 18.—Only one of the more than 10,000 saloonkeepers in Chicago appeared in defense of the saloon free lunch, before a special council committee last night. Representatives of scores of others appeared to urge a bill abolishing lunches in saloons.

One saloonkeeper declared if the lunches were abolished, the city would not face the problem of feeding 50,000 tramps each winter. "They are drawn here by free lunches," he said. "It was asserted that the serving of lunches prevented 15,000 cooks and waiters from getting work in the city. The ordinance which introduced the ordinance declared it was his purpose to make men go home for dinner at night instead of standing at a bar eating sandwiches and telephoning home that they were detained at the office."

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WILL TRY GREEKS ON SERIOUS CHARGE

Salt Lake, Dec. 17.—Announcement was made yesterday by D. A. Plumly, United States immigrant inspector with headquarters in the local federal buildings, that Tom Gialas, George Kalados and Gust Ealoos, alias Lost Hales, three Greeks held by the police department on open charges, will probably be given a hearing before him Saturday. The three are alleged to be promoters of commercialized vice.

Kalados is proprietor of the Rio Grand rooming house on West South Temple street, Ealoos is proprietor of the American rooming house at 519 1/2 West South Temple street, and Gialas is a young man of 23 years, who is alleged to be a frequenter of resorts.

Attorneys for two of the men yesterday attempted to secure their release by Judge Lewis on writs of habeas corpus, but when it was learned that the government was interested in the applications were withdrawn. The three are in the city jail.

POLITICIANS ORDERED ARRESTED.

Santo Domingo, D. R., Dec. 17.—The Dominican government ordered the arrest of a number of politicians in connection with a conspiracy said to have been discovered in the course of the elections on Monday and Tuesday.

STATE HAS A BIG FUND IN TREASURY

Of the \$3,982,369.89 appropriated by the last legislature \$4,647,982.61 has been expended, leaving an unexpended balance of \$2,334,377.25, according to the annual report of Lincoln G. Kelly, state auditor, for the fiscal year ending November 30, which was filed with the governor yesterday. At the close of the fiscal year there was \$320,034.41 cash balance in the bank. This balance is subject to \$354,170.18 outstanding warrants, leaving a net balance of \$555,864.22.

Total receipts of the year from all sources, exclusive of amounts apportioned to the various school funds from the general taxes, were \$3,482,697.84 as against total expenditures of \$4,862,998.05.

The statement of unexpended balance from the appropriations does not mean that this money is on hand. It has not yet been collected and is dependent on next year's receipts.

Under the head of "sources of taxation" the report shows that the total money received during the year from taxes from all the counties amounted to \$1,557,813.97, of which Salt Lake county paid \$725,662.32. From this total there was transferred to the various school funds \$969,779.78, leaving \$608,042.31 from the tax money for the general fund. With this and other items of receipts the general fund received \$1,437,024.09. Under this head the more important items were \$264,200.67 received by means of the inheritance tax; fees paid into state offices, \$220,073.74 and \$50,000 received from the United States as appropriation to the state agricultural college.

Total receipts in the special funds amounted to \$1,066,279.91, the principal item being \$630,657.04 to the district school fund. Total receipts from the land funds amounted to \$589,375.84, of which \$454,815.97 was return of principal on loans and \$204,264.66 was interest on loans.

Of the total disbursements \$2,073,988.47 from the general fund, from the special funds, \$1,301,622 and from the land funds \$987,387.25. The largest expenditure under any one item was \$469,495.35 for the building of the state capitol. This represents the total warrants drawn to date on the capitol fund.

The state appropriated \$6700 to each county in the state for road building purposes, making a total of \$189,900. To this the counties added \$174,384.30, making a total of \$364,283.83 at the disposal of the state for road building purposes in the respective counties. Of this amount \$207,357.14 was expended during the fiscal year, leaving an unexpended balance of \$176,926.69.

MUST PAY GIRLS LEGAL COMPENSATION

Salt Lake, Utah, Dec. 17.—One storekeeper at Glenwood, Utah, was forced to pay a girl employee \$56 in back pay, due her since the law fixing a minimum wage went into effect as a result of the visit of A. L. Toome, deputy state commissioner of immigration, labor and statistics, to Glenwood. Mr. Toome returned yesterday morning from a week's trip of investigation in Glenwood, Richfield and Monroe.

The welcome Christmas gift of the storekeeper to the young woman came after Mr. Toome learned that she had been making only \$5 a week. He gave her employer to understand that he must either settle or be sued in the courts, and he chose the former. A slight violation of the minimum wage law was also discovered at Rich-

field and the matter settled.

Mr. Toome says that the campaign of the state department is on in earnest and during the Christmas season the deputies will see to it that no girl is worked more than nine hours, or paid less than the legal wage.

Salt Lake employers are not being overlooked in the campaign for better wages and hours for girl employees. One of the local hotels was recently forced to raise the wages of a girl who had been getting only \$30 a month. The proprietor alleged that the young woman received one meal a day, but this was found to be false. Many stores have changed the hours of the girls as a result.

INTRODUCES BILL TO EXCHANGE UTAH LANDS

Washington, D. C., Dec. 17.—Congressman Joseph Howell has introduced in congress a bill providing for the exchange of certain lands, the property of the United States, in the Cache national forest of Utah, for other lands "approximately equal in area and value." The bill is designed to make it possible to consolidate forest lands within the reserve.

The secretary of the interior is given authority by the bill to make the exchanges, which are to affect only unreserved, unappropriated public lands.

CONVICTS BUILDING EXCELLENT HIGHWAY
Road work in Washington county between the towns of Washington and Leeds, a distance of twenty miles, on the state road, being constructed by a gang of fifty-two convicts is progressing rapidly, according to W. D. Beers, state engineer, who returned to Salt Lake yesterday morning.

Mr. Beers has been in Washington and Iron counties for the last two weeks inspecting the roads and supervising the work. He says that the convict gang in charge of Edward Janny is rapidly bettering the new road into shape. The highway will be an excellent one when completed, as it passes through lava formation.

On account of the recent cold weather in Iron county, work on the road between Cedar and Lund has stopped and will not be begun again until spring.

NEW YORK DOGS WIN IN ANNUAL DERBY

Montgomery, Ala., Dec. 18.—Dogs owned by residents of New York state captured first and second money in the first annual derby of the National Field Trials club, which was completed over the Letohatchie course near here yesterday. The winner of the derby was Willie J. owned by H. W. Shaw, of New York state, while second place was awarded to Happy Medium, owned by U. M. Fleishman of New York City.

The continuation of the all-age stakes narrowed the contest in that event down to six dogs, which will compete for the money today when the meet will close.

ATHLETIC BOARD DECIDES SCHEDULE

Minneapolis, Dec. 18.—The Board of Athletic Control of the University of Minnesota, at a meeting today decided by a unanimous vote that there would be no football game with Carleton in 1914. While no official overtures have been made by Carleton the board took notice of the persistent rumors to the effect that a game

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was being considered, and adopted a resolution declaring that as athletic relations with Carleton were broken off in 1909 there was no reason why they should be resumed. Games were played between the two universities in 1907, 1908 and 1909.

Alan J. McBean, who is completing his first year as manager of athletics, was re-elected, his term to extend for two years.

The board was officially notified that the net receipts for the Minnesota-Chicago football game, played at Northrup field on November 15, were \$12,148.50. Of this amount Chicago received \$16,074.25.

SALT LAKE ROUTE ASKS RETURN OF TAXES PAID

Provo, Dec. 17.—The Salt Lake Route has brought suit to recover \$87 from County Treasurer Royal T. Huih, collected in taxes against the railroad. According to the complaint, the school board in Pleasant Grove levied a 12 mill tax on all property. Then it appears that the board required 14 mills on which to run the public schools. Notice was sent to the treasurer to that effect and he proceeded to collect the extra 2 mills on all Pleasant Grove property.

Should the railroad win the suit it will mean a refund to every taxpayer in the Pleasant Grove district.

PETROSKY WINS DECISION
Butte, Mont., Dec. 18.—Sailor Ed. Petrosky, of San Francisco was awarded a decision here last night over Leon Benz of Butte at the end of 12 rounds, which were Petrosky's all the way.

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